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## New scholarship pays it forward

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Los Alamos National Laboratory and the Climate Change Leadership Institute are partnering to provide two \$500 scholarship awards on behalf of Jeri Sullivan Graham, a Los Alamos scientist. Sullivan Graham is receiving the 2014 Conservation Grant Award from the Climate Change Leadership Institute and wants to pay it forward.

Applicants must be full-time undergraduate students majoring in Earth and Environmental Science or related fields at a college or university in Los Alamos, Mora, Rio Arriba, Sandoval, San Miguel, Santa Fe or Taos County.

Each year the Climate Change Leadership Institute (CCLI), a nonprofit organization dedicated to addressing the climate crisis, gives out community seed grant awards to worthy recipients to encourage leadership, develop alliances and reward responsibility in the advancement of climate stewardship.

"I am honored to receive this award from the CCLI," said Sullivan Graham. "In particular, I appreciate their recognition of the complexity we face in adapting our energy and water systems to a changing climate and to increasing worldwide energy demands. We

need to be conservative with our resources, using them wisely for the benefit of humans and the environment we depend on. We need to be resilient and adaptive, smart and forward-thinking. In order to do this, it is critical to educate our students about the intersection of energy, water and climate. The scholarship money will be a step in that direction and I am very pleased to be able to contribute to the education of our northern New Mexico students.”

Sullivan Graham is a hydrogeologist and geochemist in the Laboratory’s Chemistry Division with 30 years of experience in environmental chemistry, ground-water hydrology, water treatment, systems modeling and field studies. She was honored by the CCLI for providing her expertise and time in developing the energy and water initiative with the New Mexico Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department.

To learn more about Sullivan Graham’s work, see the [What would you do if your water faucets ran dry?](#) article in *Community Connections*’ June 2014 edition.

For additional scholarship details, see the [Earth and Environmental Science Scholarships Available for Northern New Mexico Students](#) document (pdf).

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